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Dear Josh,

Enclosed is the manuscript for a talk I am to give to the National Association of Biology Teachers this fall. Do what you want with this copy when you are through with it.

I am writing to obtain more details, if they are available, on the simian virus that contaminated the early polio vaccines. You mentioned this contamination during your address at the Stanford Meetings of the Genetics Society. Jerry Fink of our laboratory is familiar with the story from his sojourn at NIH in Bethesda.

To cope with questions that may come up in the discussion period, I feel that I need more information than that which is already in the manuscript. Could you fill me in on some of the detail?

I hear that you are paying more and more attention to environmental biology. I find myself dabbling more and more with the arithmetic of population demands and population wastes. It's depressing.

Best personal regards,

Bruce Wallace

Professor of Genetics

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